

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Public Services – Forest Department – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, FSO (Retd.), the then FSO, SF Section, Kadapa under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Imposing a penalty of "withholding of 5% of pension for a period of 5 years besides recovery of Rs.3,24,984/- towards 75% of total loss caused to Government against Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, FSO (Retd) earlier Kadapa (SF) Section of Kadapa (SF) Division – Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCEICNE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT
G.O.Ms.No.79

Dated.29.12.2023
Read the following:

- 1) From the Divisional Forest Officer, Kadapa, proc.Rc.No.1368/2017/A10, dated 29.08.2017.
- 2) G.O.Rt.No.97, E.F.S. & T (Sec.IV) Department, dated 12.11.2019.
- 3) G.O.Rt.No.98, E.F.S. & T (Sec.IV) Department, dated 12.11.2019.
- 4) G.O.Rt.No.30, E.F.S. & T (Sec.IV) Department, dated 31.03.2021.
- 5) From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, A.P., Guntur, Letter Rc.No.14817/2016/A&DC-3, dated 27.06.2022.
- 6) Govt. Memo.No.4470/Sec.IV/A2/2016, E.F.S. & T (Sec.IV) Dept., dated 25.08.2022.
- 7) Written Representation of the charged officer Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, FSO (Retd.) received through letter Ref.No.14817/ 2016/A&DC-3, dated 07.12.2022 of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, A.P., Guntur.
- 8) Govt. Memo.No.4470/Sec.IV/A2/2016, E.F.S. & T (Sec.IV) Dept., dated 10.03.2023.
- 9) From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, A.P., Mangalagiri, Letter Ref.No.14817/2016/A&DC-3, dated 18.07.2023.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1 read above, the Divisional Forest Officer, Kadapa has initiated disciplinary proceedings by issuing Articles of Charges against Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, FSO (Retd.) earlier Kadapa (SF) Section of Kadapa (SF) Division under Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S. (CC & A) Rules, 1991 on the following counts: -

Article-I:-	"That Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, SF Section, Kadapa has failed to supervise the execution of works as Forest Section Officer, SF Section Kadapa resulting in failure of 400 Nos Red Sander beds at Machupally Nursery during the year 2014-15 under MGNREG Scheme which resulted in huge financial loss to the Government."
Article-II:-	"That Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, Forest Section Officer has failed to supervise the execution of works as a FSO, SF Section, Kadapa resulting in not raising the Tall plants properly at Kamalapuram Nursery during 2014-15 under MGNREGS".
Article-III:-	"That Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, Forest Section Officer has failed to supervise the execution of works as a FSO, SF Section Kadapa resulting in not raising the Tall plants properly at Buggadam Nursery 2014-15 under MGNREGS".
Article -IV	"That Sri B. Krishnamurthy Naik, working as Forest Section Officer, SF Section, Kadapa has shown lack of supervision resulting missing of Rotavator from Maddimadugu nursery."

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2. The Charged Officer acknowledged the receipt of the Articles of Charges on 14.09.2017 and submitted his written defence statement on 25.09.2017. Not satisfied with the explanation and since more than two officers were involved in the issue, orders have been issued appointing Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Conservator of Forests, Kurnool Circle as Common Inquiry Officer and Sri B. Vijaya Kumar, DFO, S.F. Division, Guntur as Presenting Officer for conducting regular enquiry into charges framed against (5) charged officers including Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, Forest Section Officer, vide G.Os.2nd and 3rd read above, respectively.
3. In the reference 4th read above, orders have been issued, appointing Sri Alan Chong Teron, IFS., DFO, Kurnool as Presenting Officer in place of Sri B. Vijaya Kumar, DFO, S.F. Division, Guntur.
4. In the reference 5th read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, A.P., Guntur has furnished the findings of Conservator of Forests & Inquiry Officer, Kurnool, in which the Inquiry Officer has concluded that "out of (4) charges, charge-I & IV were proved against Sri B. Krishnamurthy Naik, FSO (Retd), formerly Mobile Party of Kadapa (T) Division.
5. In the reference 6th read above, the findings of the Inquiry Officer were communicated to the Charged Officer, Sri B. Krishnamurthy Naik, FSO (Retd.) through PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Guntur for submission of his representation.
6. The Charged Officer has acknowledged the Govt. Memo. on 07.10.2022 and in the reference 7th read above, he has submitted a written representation on the findings of Inquiry Officer and requested to drop further action against him.
7. Since charged officer retired from the Government service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30.06.2019, the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule-9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.
8. After examining the entire issue, with reference to the findings of the Inquiry Officer and the written representation of the charged officer, it has been decided to impose a penalty of "5% cut in pension for a period of 5 years besides recovery of Rs.3,24,984/- towards 75% of total loss caused to Government against Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, FSO (Retd), as he is the primary officer to report the ground realities to the higher authorities. Accordingly, in the reference 8th read above, a show-cause notice has been issued to the Charged Officer through the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF., A.P., Mangalagiri on the proposed punishment.
9. In the reference 9th read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, A.P., Mangalagiri has furnished the written representation of the charged officer on 25.05.2023 to the show-cause notice, wherein the charged officer has informed that he obeyed the provisional decision of Government with regard to imposing of penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of five (5) years besides recovery of Rs.3,24,984/- being the loss sustained to Government.
11. After careful examination of the entire matter, the Government hereby order to impose a penalty of withholding 5% pension for a period of 5 years against Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, FSO (Retd) besides recovery of Rs.3,24,984/- towards 75% of total loss caused to Government, as he is the primary officer to report the ground realities to the higher authorities, under Rule-9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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12. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, A.P., Mangalagiri, shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**NEERABH KUMAR PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

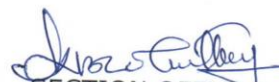
To

Sri B. Krishna Murthy Naik, FSO (Retd.), the then FSO, SF Section, Kadapa through the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, A.P., Mangalagiri.

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